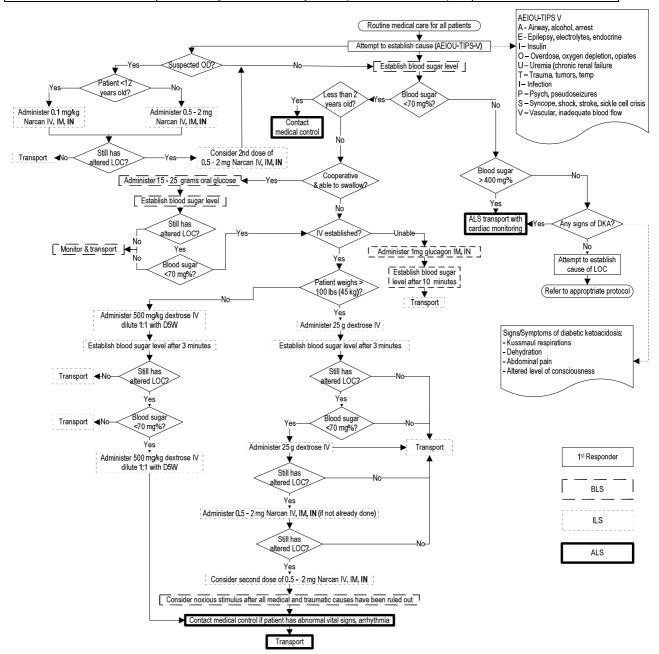
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MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS
MEDICAL PROTOCOL
ALTERED LEVEL OF
CONSCIOUSNESS

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History:	Signs/Symptoms:	Working Assessment:	
History of seizure disorder	Unresponsive	Altered LOC	
Known diabetic	Bizarre behavior	Insulin shock	
History of substance abuse	Cool, diaphoretic skin (hypoglycemia)	Hypoglycemia	
History of recent trauma	Abdominal pain, Kussmaul respirations, warm & dry	Diabetic ketoacidosis	
Presence of medical alert ID	skin, fruity breath odor, dehydration (diabetic ketoacidosis)	Overdose	



## NOTES:

- If the patient is suspected of being unconscious due to a narcotic overdose, restraining the patient may be considered before administering Narcan.
- A 12-lead ECG should be obtained for all diabetic patients with atypical chest pain or abdominal pain or other symptoms
  that may be consistent with atypical presentation of angina or acute myocardial infarction.